#### APPENDIX E

# LETTER TO STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER AND LETTER OF CONFORMANCE FROM STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER (STAMPED)



### Department of Energy

Golden Field Office 1617 Cole Boulevard Golden, Colorado 80401-3393

November 2, 2001

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Subject: Site-Wide Environmental Assessment for National Renewable Energy Laboratory's National Wind Technology Center Report # DOE/EA-1378

This letter and the enclosed Limited-Results Cultural Resources Survey Form constitute a request for concurrence on our determination of no historic properties affected by proposed improvements and maintenance activities at the Department of Energy's (DOE's) National Wind Technology Center (NWTC) referenced above. The NWTC is located in the northwest corner of the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site, in northern Jefferson County, Colorado (see enclosed Map 1).

The DOE proposes new and improved capabilities at the NWTC to support DOE's mission to research and develop renewable energy technologies. New construction would include permanent physical improvements to the site that involve buildings and equipment, utilities, and other infrastructure. The proposed action also includes typical operation and maintenance activities. The components of the proposed action are divided into two implementation periods, Short-Term (2002-2006) and Long-Term (2007-2021).

The proposed action includes a connection to an existing gas line west of the NWTC property line (see enclosed Map 2). The enclosed survey report summarizes the cultural resources survey on private property beyond the NWTC boundary. The EA proposes two options for the gas line. Option 1 enters the NWTC property to the north and option 2 enters the property to the south.

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Sites & Isolates Identified by Previous Surveys on the National Wind Technology Center Property

Resource #	Description	Official Determination
5JF728	Ruins of a stone masonry spring house	Not Eligible
5JF729	Possible corral	Not Eligible
5JF754	Isolated find - Barbed Wire	Not Eligible
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5JF992	Concrete foundation	Not Eligible

We hereby request your concurrence on our determination of no historic properties affected by the proposed action addressed in the Site-Wide Environmental Assessment for the National Wind Technology Center in Jefferson County, Colorado. Your response is necessary for the Department of Energy's compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (as amended) and with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation regulations.

If you require additional information, please contact Laura Ziemke (consultant) at 720-981-7438.

Sincerely.

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Enclosures

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